

Hyperlinks to Human Links

Experts Directory Services

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Influencing Factors - NASA Environment

- Large, distributed employee and partner base
- Great diversity of competencies and skills
- Open, collaborative and academic environment
- Extensive, but Center-centric, IT infrastructure
- "Employees are regarded as our most valuable asset"
- NASA's intellectual capital needs

Relevance

Connecting people with people...

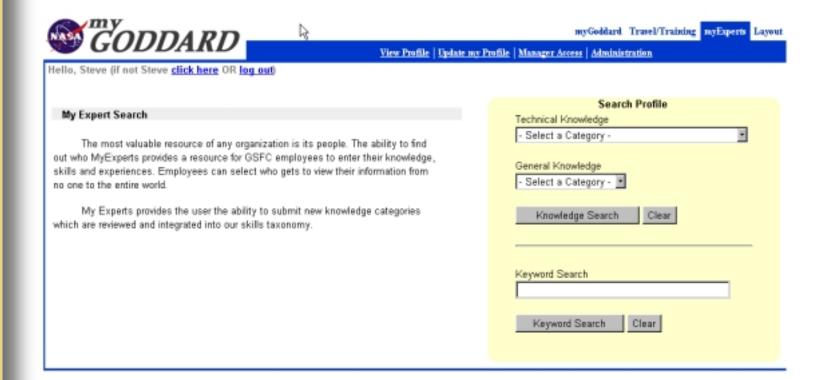
...using information technology to locate our knowledge

- One stop shopping for knowledge
- Available on all desktops
- Supports Agency-wide (including our contractors and partners) user base

MyGoddard - Expert Direct

How do I find an expert in Java Programming?

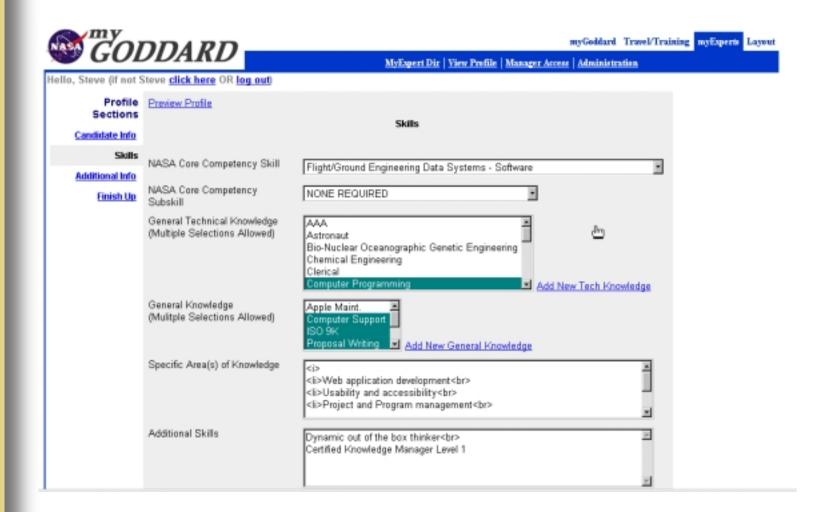
Who can I talk to about Space Science Data?



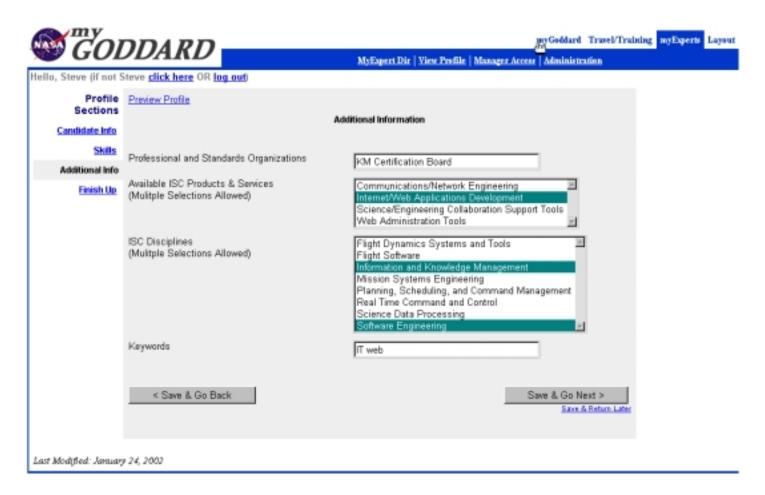
- You set the who gets to see your profile
- Accepts html tagging



- Selects NASA Core Competency
- General Knowledge
- Customizable Specific Knowledge
- Additional information



- Assign Professional Organizations
- Assign Products and Services
- Assign Organization Disciplines
- Other important keywords



- Upload Photograph
- Save final profile



- Contact information
 - •Name and address
 - •Phone, FAX, e-mail
 - •WWW address
 - •Contact preference
- **◆Current Work Assignment**
- **◆General Knowledge**
- **◆Specific Knowledge**
- **Affiliations**
- **◆**Miscellaneous



Hello, Steve (if not Steve click here OR log out)

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Steve is recognized as an seasoned expert in information/internet technologies and knowledge management. He is frequently called on to assist/contribute in numerous capacities and contributes to many organizations and projects across Goddard.

Current Project Computing Environment & Technology Branch - Code 585

Current Project Position Associate Branch Head Work/Project Related URL http://sc.gsfc.nasa.gov

General Technical Knowledge Computer Programming

Ground Systems Engineering

IT Security

Project Management Resource Management Web Application Development

Web Uzability

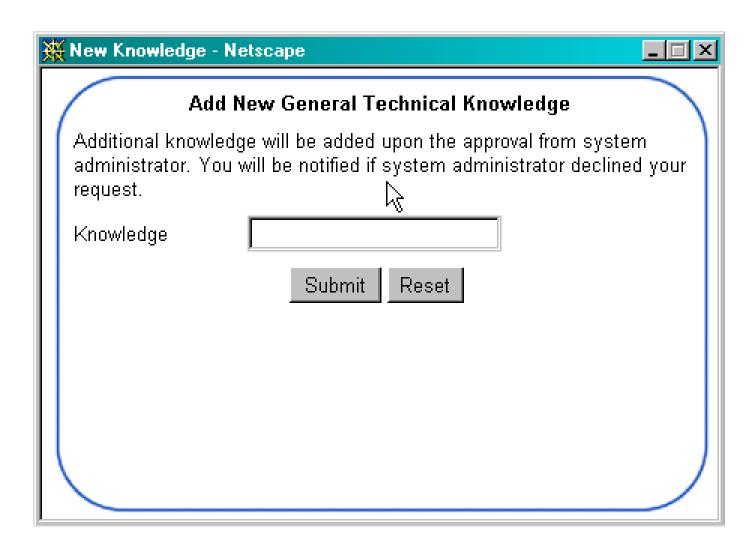
General Knowledge Computer Support

ISO 9K

Proposal Writing Public Outreach Public Speaking

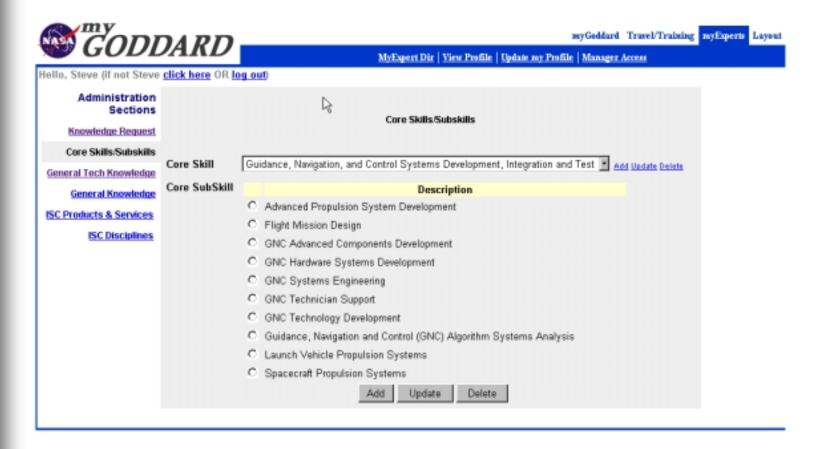
Administration

- End-user ability to add new skills
- Managed Taxonomy with feedback



Administration

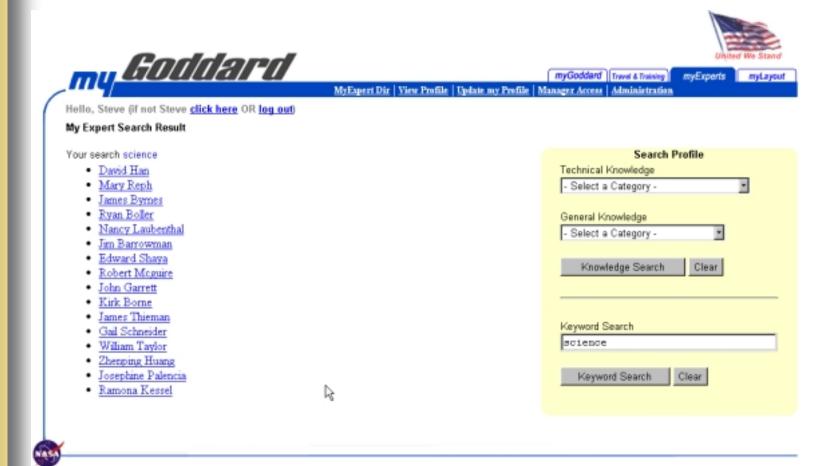
Taxonomy Management
 Knowledge Request
 Core Competency Skills
 Knowledge Lists
 Products and Services
 Organizational Disciplines



Search

Three way to connect to knowledge

- Technical Knowledge
- General Knowledge
- Keyword Search



Developing Content - Encouraging Contribution

- 100% Participation not necessary or desirable
 - Only want those willing to share their knowledge
 - Critical masses can achieved
- Give employees a forum to talk about their experiences and they will, but.....
 - It must be easy to use
 - Relevant to their specific needs
- Understand NASA's culture
 - Must be voluntary
 - Employees must own their profiles
 - Must be able to select who gets to see them
 - Must emphasize knowledge not expertise

Managing Content

- Contact information taken directly from X500
- Employees who leave are automatically flagged to be removed
- E-mail reminders on updating out-of-date profile needed
- The challenge is cultural not technical.
 - Marketing
 - Internalize use
 - Reward participation
 - Strong Management Support

Status

- Under Pilot usage at GSFC
 - Space Science Directorate
 - Information System Center
- Additional features underway
 - Better overall search based on entire profile
 - Search by Browsing
 - Integration of data from NASA STARS
 - Integration with other expert listings at GSFC including web-site bios.
 - Integrate approved Pilot recommendations